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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Tokihiro Kosaka

Serial No. 10/025,022

Filing Date: December 19, 2001

For: Flow Cytometer

Examiner Fannie L. Evans

Group Art Unit No. 2877

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 12, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in light of the following Remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this communication.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 8 of this communication.

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Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 13 of this communication and include two (2) attached replacement sheets and two (2) attached annotated sheets showing changes.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this communication.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 19 of this communication.